

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 13-18 with:

Figures 2A-2C show the nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO:1) (SEQ ID NO:1) of the human $\alpha 7$ cDNA containing the V274T mutation. The threonine mutation is shown in bold and the restriction sites EcoRV and KpnI are shown underlined. Also shown is the deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) (SEQ ID NO:2) of the human $\alpha 7$ V274T subunit variant derived from the cDNA. The V274T alteration is underlined.